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Title: "RETRACTOR AND METHOD FOR SPINAL PEDICLE SCREW PLACEMENT"

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This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/264,943, filed January 29, 2001. The entire disclosure of the provisional application is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference. Enclosed for filing with the above-identified utility patent application, please find the following:

1. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
2. ☒ Specification (Total Pages of Text, including Abstract and Claims: 15)
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets: 3) ☐ FORMAL ☒ INFORMAL
4. ☒ Return Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)

**FEE CALCULATION:**

	(COL. 1) NO. FILED			(COL. 2*) NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY			LARGE ENTITY	
					RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE:						\$370.00	OR		\$740.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	20	-	20	0	X \$9 =	\$0.00	OR	X \$18 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS:	5	-	3	2	X \$42 =	\$84.00	OR	X \$84 =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$140 =	\$	OR	+\$280 =	
*IF THE DIFFERENCE IN COL. 2 IS LESS THAN ZERO, ENTER "O" IN COL. 2.					TOTAL:	\$454.00			

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

1. ☒ **NO FEE IS ENCLOSED**
2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all required fees for extensions of time under §1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.
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